Online Testing

American Association of Pesticide Safety Educators (AAPSE) Survey August 2022- 40 respondees



Currently providing online exams for <u>commercial/</u> noncommercial applicators



Currently providing online exams for <u>private</u> applicators



Adding or considering adding online testing in the next 3-5 years





Participant accountabilitymonitoring progress and completion of exam throughout the process



Participant verification- verifying the person taking the exam



Technology support- providing technical assistance to participants

41%

Test taker pays an additional convenience fee to test provider



Accessibility



- 40 % at participants home or office at any time
- 40% at designated 3rd party exam location
- 15% at regulatory, Extension or education facility exam location





SOURCE: AAPSE 2022



Scan the code with your phone to access the summary document



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What's next?

Benefits

- Can relieve stressed resources
- Consolidates processes
- More testing opportunities
- Integrates accountability and verification
- Instant results
- High user adoption
- Alternative formats (multilingual)

Concerns

- Not all user systems can utilize verification and accountability tools
- Reduces "pain" for applicators
- Technological/internet challenges
- 3rd party location networks
- Removes personal contact with users
- Fear of the unknown